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<TEXT>Enough is Enough!!!! I'm sick of this "lets give business a break" attitude. Rich folks and large corporations spend millions on themselves - I need my cell for safety. I have a prepaid phone that my elderly mother uses, and a family plan (3) phone service. I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I already pay enough fees on my 2 yr plan. I urge you to REJECT a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is UNFAIR UNFAIR UNFAIR!!!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

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Sincerely,

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